

Att to DDS-T-3299-82

13 July 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting With COL Robinson, HQDA DCSOPS on
9 July 82

1. Purpose and Activity Visited:

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[redacted] visited COL (P) Bobby Robinson, Deputy STAT Director, Nuclear and Chemical Directorate, DCSOPS, HQDA at the Pentagon on 9 July 1982. The purpose of the meeting was to acquaint COL Robinson with the scope of LSB CBW intelligence activities and to foster a continuing exchange.

2. Synopsis of Discussion:

A. [redacted] outlined the areas of intelligence activity STAT in LSB.

B. COL Robinson highlighted the US Army's increasing interest in CW.

(1) The level of Army emphasis is reflected in the resources allocated to the CW mission. The budget has increased from 60 million dollars to over six billion dollars for offensive CW and defensive BCW related activities over the POM years (five year program).

(2) Major R&D and procurement efforts are underway in CW defensive and offensive materiel. The expanded research and development program which includes increased funding and involvement of all major laboratories. The status of the principal CW R&D laboratory, Chemical Systems Laboratory, has been increased through the designation of a general officer as the commander. Stockages of chemical defensive equipment are being increased. Finally the binary chemical munitions program has been partially funded.

(3) The Army has significantly increased its force structure denoted to CW since the mid-70's.

a. Chemical corps personnel strength is increasing from an active army strength of about 2000 in 1978 to a projected 10,000 in 1987. In addition by 1987, the reserve components will have approximately 15,000 chemical troops.